

**Written Committee Reports
Faculty Senate Meeting
January 13, 2017**

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and are not being submitted for Senate approval.*

College-wide committees:

Academic Standards (Alexander Rouch)

The Academic Standards Committee met on the following dates:

- December 14, 2016 with one 3rd-year student regarding two failed attempts at COMPLEX 1, one 3rd-year student regarding two failed attempts at COMPLEX 1 and a non-cog grade, one 4th-year student regarding a failed COMPLEX-2 CE, one 4th-year student regarding a second failure at COMPLEX 2-PE, and one 2nd-year student regarding a D grade in the Neuro System course;
- January 5, 2017 with eight 1st-year students regarding failed grades in BMF courses and/or Clinical Anatomy, one 2nd-year student regarding a D grade in the Neuro System course, and one 2nd-year student regarding a non-cog grade.

Curriculum Oversight Committee (Randy S. Wymore)

The Curriculum Oversight Committee (COC) has not met since the prior Senate meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for January 12, 2017. That report will be provided for the February Senate meeting.

Learning Resources (Nedra Wilson)

The Learning Resources Committee (LRC) has not met since the previous Senate meeting; the date of the next meeting has not yet been arranged.

Student Affairs (Kelley Joy)

The Student Affairs Committee has not met since the previous Senate meeting. A January meeting is now being scheduled.

Research Committee (Anne Weil)

Although the following Special/regulatory committees report through the Research Committee, there may be months when they submit a report for inclusion in the Senate Written Reports when there is no Research Committee meeting report: Institutional Review Board, the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, the Institutional Biosafety Committee, and the Chemical Hygiene and Radioisotope use Committee.

The Research Committee did not meet in December.

Chemical Hygiene and Radioisotope Use Committee (David Wallace)

The committee has not met since the last Senate meeting, and is scheduled to meet on January 18.

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (Tom Curtis)

The committee has not met since the previous Senate meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2017.

Institutional Biosafety Committee (Franklin Champlin)

The committee did not meet since the Joint November/December Senate meeting.

Institutional Review Board (Michael Pollak)

The committee has not met since the previous Senate meeting.

Faculty Senate committees:

Budget and Benefits Committee (David Wallace)

The January committee meeting was cancelled due to many conflicting schedules. The next meeting is scheduled for February 1, 2017, at noon, in room E-320. The report on that meeting will be included in the February Committee Reports document.

Faculty Affairs Committee (Nancy Van Winkle)

The Faculty Affairs Committee met on December 6th and 15th. During these meetings the committee continued the review of material gathered on the Universities with Health Science Centers being similar to OSU-CHS (AT Still, Midwestern University, De Moines University and the University of North Texas). In addition, Rowan University is being reviewed as suggested by Dr. Dyer. Committee members reviewed and discussed some articles identified by Julia Crawford about faculty governance at Centers for Health Sciences. Most were interesting but not relevant to the task at hand. Dr. Cook identified one with a thoughtful discussion of clinic track and tenure track faculty which is an issue of interest to the committee.

The Chair worked with Dr. Rouch to create a ballot for the Academic Standards Handbook changes and the committee developed a ballot for the Reaffirmation of the AOA Code of Ethics. The committee carried out the voting at the General Faculty meeting on December 16th and reported the results. A recommendation was made to the Faculty Senate that the request for an absentee ballot be denied and that historical precedent be followed for this year. This issue can be addressed in the revision of the bylaws.

It came to the attention of the Chair, that the position of Chair of the Continuous Quality Improvement committee was vacant. The Chair will explore that situation so the committee can become active again.

The next meeting will be held after the New Year.

Promotion and Tenure Committee (Randall Davis) The committee has conducted their work during the past month by email communication and a couple of recommendations have been forwarded to the administration.

Other committees/task forces/liaisons:

Affirmative Action Committee (Tina Tappana) (A regulatory committee)

The committee has not met since the previous Senate meeting.

Biomedical Sciences Graduate Committee (Rashmi Kaul)

BSGC committee met on January 4, 2017

- Approved student forms
- Discussed the review criteria of applications for PhD and Master at the next meeting and how stipend(s), if available, would be awarded
- Faculty funding report will be presented by Dr. Davis at the March BSGC meeting
- Planned agenda for the informational biomedical sciences faculty meeting—to discuss 60 hour rule, stipend awards, faculty inclusion of stipend support when writing grants
- Graduate Handbook for Biomedical Sciences in preparation based on OSU graduate college template available on OSU Bright space —Dr. Blewett will chair the sub-committee to review current guidelines and update
- Graduate student BMF grade results were discussed

Next meeting will be held on February 1, 2017

OSU-Faculty Council Representative (Franklin Champlin)

OSU Faculty Council Meeting of December 13, 2016

The OSU Faculty Council met at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Room, 412 Student Union on December 13, 2016. The following tabulation is a summary of major agenda items addressed at the meeting which may be of general interest to the CHS Senate membership.

Agenda Item 6. Provost Sandefur reported that a search was well underway for a new Dean of the Center for Veterinary Health Sciences. Moreover, the Administration has not yet been instructed to reduce the budget despite rumors ranging from previous cuts will be restored to more cuts are coming to provide raises for public school teachers. Please refer to the Faculty Council Recommendations which he went over in detail.

Agenda Item 8.h and Faculty Council Recommendation No. 16-05-01-RES amendment (attached to the Agenda). Research Committee Chair Andrew Doust updated the Council on the suggestions his committee had made for the modification of the recommendation that an Undergraduate Transcript Research Recognition process be instituted.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the OSU Faculty Council will be held on Tuesday, January 10, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Room, 412 Student Union.

(You may ask that the meeting agenda, the full meeting minutes, and the handout be sent to you by sending a request through the Senate Office. They are lengthy and will be provided as email attachments.)

Oklahoma State Regents Faculty Advisory Representative (Jarrad Wagner)

The Higher Regents Faculty Advisory Council met on December 6, 2016.

The following topics were selected for the 2017 work plan:

1. Diversity on campus including gender equality, gender identity and religion;
2. Environmental sustainability;
3. Veteran student services;
4. Student preparedness related to non-cognitive factors such as coping strategies, resilience and lifestyle; and
5. Communication among faculty.